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STOCK NEWS

LOCAL MARKET.
Oats 38c, 40c.
Wheat \$1.23, 1.28, 1.30, 1.32.
Corn (new) 74c

THE MARKETS.
Chicago Dec. May
Corn 74 73
Wheat \$1.27 1/4 \$1.24 1/4
Oats 44 46
St. Louis Cash—
No. 2 Yellow Corn 75 1/2 to 76
No. 2 Red Wheat \$1.39
No. 2 White Oats 47 1/2
No. 3 Red Wheat \$1.36 to \$1.37
No. 2 Mixed Corn 74 1/2
No. 2 White Corn 74 1/2 to 76
St. Louis Stock Yards:
Hogs 15000 5c higher, top . . . \$8.45
Cattle 4000 Steady
Sheep 1000 steady, top on
lamb \$14.75

Wednesday's Local Poultry Market:
Hen, per lb 16c and 10c
Butter Fat, per lb 46c
Eggs, per doz 42c
Algerian sheep are comparatively
immune to anthrax, while all other
sheep seem extremely susceptible to it.

Two horses, Donovan and Ayshire,
won more than \$365,000 in a single
racing season for their owner, the
duke of Portland.

The mercury Sunday night fell to
four below zero which is the coldest
weather recorded in Mexico for a
long time. At 8 o'clock Monday
morning the mercury stood at 3 be-
low.

At 7 o'clock Sunday morning the
temperature was 14 above zero and
at 9 o'clock Sunday night seven above.

The snowfall Saturday evening was
one and one-half inches.

Sillon, the largest horse in Amer-
ica, weighing 2,450 pounds, is the
world champion stallion in the 2-year
old class.

A new high price for cattle in full
loads on the St. Louis market since
1920 was made Wednesday by the
sale of fifteen choice to prime Here-
ford yearling steers, 1067 lbs. aver-
age, marketed by Mason, Carter and
Johnson, operators of Audrain Coun-
ty, Mo. The cattle sold to Armour for
their Christmas trade at \$13.75.

Mr. Mason recently predicted these
cattle would make a record at the
stockyards and stated they were the
best of their kind he had ever seen
in this county.

They were among the cattle he and
his partners have been importing in-
to Audrain in large numbers during
the past year.

For the eleven months ending No-
vember 1, the Producers Grain Com-
pany of Mexico had shipped 136
car loads of stock as market, which
brought a total of \$172,722.38. For
the twelve months of 1921 the com-
pany did a business on the market of
about \$160,000.

In the last eleven months 24 car
loads of cattle totaling 722 head; 93
carloads of hogs totaling 7,003 and
19 carloads of sheep totaling 2,466
were sent to market.

This company does one of the
largest businesses of its kind in this
part of the country and is to be con-
gratulated on its success during 1922.
Figures just compiled by William
H. Yates, manager of the Auxvasse
Shipping Association, show that dur-
ing the eleven months ending No-
vember 30th, the Association shipped
49 car loads of live stock for the
farmers of this community, and
shipped in two car loads of corn.
The stock shipped comprised 3906
head and sold on the market for
\$76,807.47, being divided in the dif-
ferent departments as follows:
Horses and mules, 166 head, \$14,048.
50; sheep, 888 head, \$5,740.47; hogs,
2674 head, \$45,980.95; cattle, 238
head, \$11,087.55.—Auxvasse Review.

Let the Ledger print your sale bills.
We are equipped to do this work to
your satisfaction.

The top of the fat sheep market
Thursday in St. Louis was obtained
by Grover Sims, that thoroughly suc-
cessful sheep feeder of Audrain Coun-
ty, Mo., who disposed of a single
deck of his fed Western ewes, 106
head, averaging 107 lbs. that sold
to Swift and Co. at \$6.75 per cwt.—
Live Stock Reporter.

There will be no scarcity of turkeys
in Mexico this Christmas but the
price is so high that local poultry
dealers, although they are buying a
large number of the birds, will have
the majority of them dressed and
shipped East for the Christmas mar-
ket which will be considerably higher
than the market in the Middle West.
It is probable that the dressed turkeys
will retail for from 60 to 65 cents a
pound here which is about the same
as last year.

Lee S. Allen of the Blattner Brothers
Produce Company said Friday
morning that he had never seen a
time when the farmers of this com-
munity were raising as much poultry
and reports from other towns in this
part of the state report the same con-
dition. Mr. Allen bought 167 turkeys
Thursday which lacks just three of
being as many as the total number
purchased by him during last Decem-
ber.

Then number of geese is also un-
usually large and will retail for a-
bout 30 cents a pound. There is not
such a large number of ducks.

Fried Shelby informs us that sixty
days ago he let W. L. Keene and J. R.
Brown turn 183 head of hogs into his

SPEEDERS ARE TAKEN BY POLICE

Since the police of Mexico have
been arresting speeders there have
been those who asserted that only a
certain few were taken into custody
and the members of the city admin-
istration were violating motor laws
and "getting away with it." How-
ever this statement is no longer good
as a "holier."

Friday evening Councilman from
the Fourth Ward, M. T. Vandergrift,
who is head of the City Traffic com-
mittee, told the night police to rent
a car and "get" the speeders. His
instructions were followed and the
first arrest made was Councilman
from the second Ward, Ed Pearl and
Councilman Vandergrift who were
out on City business.

Mr. Pearl was assigned before
Judge S. J. Weaver Saturday morn-
ing. After a plea of guilty a fine of
\$12.50 was assessed.

The Ledger's "tip" on the story
came from Mr. Pearl who while he
regretted that he had untowardly
violated the law and was sorry to
lose the \$12.50, was delighted that
the local officers of the law were en-
forcing the traffic regulations with-
out favor.

There were a number of other ar-
rests. All of them, however, have not
been before the court. On a plea of
guilty to speeding Leonard Hart was
fined \$12.50. Capt. Chas. Strubling,
of M. M. A. pleaded not guilty and
was discharged after a hearing.

This should now be followed with a
strict enforcement of parking laws.

On acre corn field with the under-
standing that they were to pay him
6 cents per pound for which each hog
gained. When 28 acres had been
grazed the hogs were weighed and it
was discovered his field had so far
netted him \$15 per acre. The last 43
acres netted him \$23 per acre or a
total of \$38 per acre.—Centrella
Courier.

Mrs. Davis Mitchell sold 35 of her
42 turkeys, Wednesday to Yager at
Rowena, for \$200. Mrs. Mitchell is in
her 64th year but continues to do
as much work around the house and
poultry yards as anyone.—Paris Ap-
peal.

Lee Bros. bought mules at \$50 to
\$75 and horses at \$25 to \$50 in Paris
and Madison, Friday and Saturday.
They got two horses from W. C.
Davis for \$70, one from F. P. Major
for \$70 and one from Ra-oh Filington
for \$40.—Paris Appeal.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 15.—Iowa's
1922 crops have a value of \$480,142,
000, as compared to \$305,459,429 in
1921, an increase of 57 per cent, for
the final joint estimate of the Iowa weath-
er and crop service and the United
States bureau of agricultural econom-
ics, read this morning at the state
agricultural convention, shows.

Four bumper corn crops in suc-
cession is Iowa's unprecedented record.
The 1922 crop of 455,535,00 bushels,
raised on 10,123,000 acres with an av-
erage yield of 45 bushels to the
acre, had a value on December 1 of
\$245,989,000, when corn was selling
at 54 cents a bushel. Mr. Reed said.
The total corn crop of 1922 is exceed-
ed only by that of 1920.

Three truck loads of dressed tur-
keys went through Mexico Friday
afternoon enroute from Clifton Hill
to the Blattner Produce Company at
Wellsville. The shipment was in
charge of A. C. Brockman. Mr.
Brockman said that the birds were
bought by W. Y. Terry of Clifton Hill
on Thursday from farmers near
Clifton Hill, and that the three trucks
contained about 800 turkeys all
ready to be cooked for the Christmas
dinner. The trip from Clifton Hill
to Wellsville is about eighty-five
miles long.

Mr. Brockman said that turkeys
were more numerous around Clifton
Hill this year than for a long period.
Joel F. Guthrie was awarded the
fourth prize for cock and fourth for
pullet in the State Poultry Show in
Fayette which was held December 12
to 16. The birds exhibited by Mr.
Guthrie were single comb Rhode Is-
land Reds and were fine specimens.
About 1,500 birds were exhibited. Mr.
Guthrie was the only exhibitor from
Audrain County.

Mr. Guthrie is planning to enter
some chickens in the show which will
be held in St. Louis December 28 to
January 2.

The Dicus and Price sale of live-
stock which was held at the Price
farm about two miles southwest of
Mexico Friday afternoon brought a
total of \$5852.50. Eighteen or twenty
jetway cattle which had been shipped
to Mexico from Tennessee were sold
for \$550. The highest price paid for
these cattle was \$41 which was paid
by L. T. Van Note. Mr. Van Note
also bought a number more of these
cattle. The crowd was large and the
prices were good.

A number of mules were sold, the
largest buyer being Jones Brothers
who purchased about thirty-eight
head. The top was \$385 paid by
Jones Brothers for a span of black
mules. Among the others who
purchased mules were S. J. Sanford,
Biggs Brothers and Jake Buckner.

H. R. Hill of Auxvasse came to
Mexico Tuesday.

A Merry Christmas

The Ledger wishes its many readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy
New Year.

May the coming twelve months bring you more pleasures than the past
and less sorrow.

May your dreams come true, and your hard luck turn to good.

L. Mitchell White

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR ELECT OFFICERS TUES. EVENING

E. L. Pasley was elected eminent
commander of the Crusade Com-
mandry, Knights Templar, Tuesday
evening. The other officers are: Gen-
eralissimo, Elmer McGee; chaplain,
Harry Stocks; junior warden, F. P.
McCorr; secretary, T. J. Kelso;
treasurer, Sam Sharp.
Several minor officers will be
appointed later. Following the el-
ection the officers were installed.

BOND ISSUE CARRIES TUES. IN VANDALIA

A bond issue of \$70,000 for the
erection of a new school building was
carried Tuesday in Vandalia with a
vote of about five to one. A special
election for the purpose of voting
on this question was held on Novem-
ber 14 and carried with about the
same majority but was later found
to be illegal as the State Board of
Equalization did not adjourn until
after the election which made it im-
possible to use the 1921 valuation
and the 1920 valuation of property
was not large enough to justify such
a large amount.

In the first election about three
hundred more votes were cast but
the ratio remained about the same. The
vote Tuesday was 500 for to 127-
against.

R. Hawkins of Springfield, Mo., has
been chosen to prepare plans for the
building and work will be begun early
in the spring.

Seventy thousand is a large bond
issue for a city the size of Vandalia
and the residents are to be congrat-
ulated on their determination to
give their children such good educa-
tional opportunities.

MEXICO GIRL SINGS IN CONCERT AT WILLIAM WOODS COLLEGE

Fulton, Mo., Dec. 20.—Miss Eli-
zabeth Wilson of Mexico, Missouri,
who is a pupil of Miss Marcella Menze,
head of the Voice Department of
William Woods College, took part
Wednesday night in one of the most
important recitals of the year. She
sang with finish, "Think Love of
Me," by Grey, and "Sonny Boy," by
Pearl & Carrans. Miss Wilson also
took one of the leading solo parts in
an impressive Vesper Service pro-
gram that the College Glee Club
put on.

DOWNTOWN SECTION OF MEXICO PRESENTS ATTRACTIVE APPEARANCE

The holiday season is reflected in
the downtown section of Mexico now
not only in the attractive appearance
of the shop windows but also in the
Christmas decorations which the
Rotary Club erecting around the
square. The plans are for all of the
light posts in the downtown section
to be decorated with evergreens and
four illuminated Christmas trees to
be placed in the corners of the court-
house lawn. The merchants this
year have made an unusually big ef-
fort to have beautiful holiday stocks
and the windows have been decorated
with care. The effect at night is
particularly beautiful and both the
Rotary Club and the merchants are
to be congratulated on the success of
their efforts.

BOY WHO STRUCK MOTHER GETS A YEAR IN PRISON

KANSAS CITY, MO., Dec. 20.—
Judge George West yesterday senten-
ced Carl Caraway, 19 years old, to
one year in the penitentiary and fined
him \$1,000 for striking his mother.
The boy was arrested on a charge of
vagrancy.

"Are you guilty of striking your
mother?" Judge West asked.
"Yes, but I had a good reason,
Judge," the prisoner replied.
"One year in the penitentiary and
a fine of \$1,000," the court respon-
ded. "There could not be a good rea-
son."

Read Ledger ADVERTISEMENTS.

JAKE REED LOSES MATCH TO TRAGOS

Jake Reed of Fulton forfeited his
wrestling match with George Tragos
in Centuria Tuesday evening be-
cause of fouls. The two men wrest-
led for about an hour without either
gaining a fall and then seemingly lost
their tempers and began to foul each
other. George Baptise, the referee,
called them on a number of fouls and
finally announced that Reed had for-
feited the match, on account of the
large number of fouls.

Among those from Mexico who saw
the match were: Tom Marshall, T.
J. Hoxsey, Harry Owen, Herschel
Kemp, Albert Hendrix, Walter Hen-
drix, M. F. Murphy, Bob Nichols,
and J. F. Hannah.

S. A. Muff of Springfield, O., who
formerly lived in Mexico, is spending a
few days here. His many friends are
glad to welcome him back home.

Miss Maureen Smith and Miss Mil-
dred Dixon of Bowling Green were in
Mexico Monday.

Engineers of the State Highway
Department have begun the work of
surveying and establishing a ten-
tative route along Mores Boulevard
on the north edge of Columbia for
the state primary road of the State
system that is to connect St. Louis
and Kansas City. The work was
started Monday by a party of six
engineers and the route was being
surveyed from east to west.

The width of the most important
primary road in the state highway
system, the one connecting the met-
ropolises of Missouri, the backbone
of the system will be 100 feet wide.

Si Phillip and family are moving
into their handsome new home in
Woodlawn. This is one of the finest
residences in the city.

The rate of deaths from tuber-
culosis in Audrain County per 100-
000 dropped fifty per cent from 1911
to 1921 according to statistics of
the Missouri Tuberculosis Associa-
tion.

In 1911, 24 persons in the
county died from the disease and
in 1921 only 12. The numbers of
deaths in the State at large dropped
in that decade from 5,112 to 3,010.

Miss Anne Bain will leave Saturday
for Chicago where she will spend the
holidays with her parents.

Dr. A. A. Wallace has returned
from St. Louis where he attended a
meeting of the Westminster College
Board.

Born to Lieut. and Mrs. Henry
Kunkel, of Rantoul, Ill., a lovely
daughter Thursday. Mrs. H. E. C.
Turker, (Mrs. Kunkel's mother, is
with her.

The administrator in the estate of
Mary A. Beeby filed inventory and
appraisal of estate showing prop-
erty to the amount of \$2,631.60.

At the annual meeting of the State
Eleemosynary Board, in Jefferson
City, last week, R. M. White, of this
city, was elected president of the
Board in the place of H. D. Evans,
who recently died. Mr. White will
serve until the first of the year
when Governor Hyde will appoint a
president.

Mrs. Ned Turner has been visiting
in Chicago.

A marriage license was issued here
Saturday afternoon to Robert Tal-
bert and Maude Anderson, both of
Farber.

John Barclay spent the week-end
in Moberly visiting his wife and
small daughter, who are spending the
holidays with Mrs. Barclay's parents.

Mrs. K. W. Quisenberry and Mrs.
Joe Folz of Martinsburg were ad-
mitted to the hospital Friday.

Two more traveling men have cal-
led Mrs. F. C. Stoltz volunteering to
each outfit a poor child with winter
clothing. Mrs. F. C. Stoltz is still
receiving calls from those who wish
to give old clothing and Friday with
the assistance of several other mem-
bers of the Social Service Board gath-
ered up enough clothing to appreci-
ably help the situation here.

The members of the Social Service
Board are still receiving calls from
those who wish to do something for
the poor in Mexico. The Frances
Rodgers class of the Methodist church
contributed \$5 and one of the high
school teachers bought an entire out-
fit for a child seven years old. When
she bought the clothing to the social
service nurse, the young woman said
that she could not enjoy buying
Christmas gifts for her friends who
already had plenty until she had done
something for those less fortunate.

The funeral services of Miss Grace
Van Horn, who died Sunday morn-
ing in Macon, were held at 2 o'clock
Tuesday afternoon at the home of
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Van
Horn on East Promenade Street. The
Rev. C. A. Mitchell and the Rev. J. H.
Hughes conducted the services.

Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.
Miss Van Horn's four brothers,
Earl, Howard, Lee and Frank, and
two brother-in-laws, Harris Wallace
and Elmer Meyer, acted as pallbear-
ers.

Miss Allene Reed was operated on
in St. Louis Tuesday instead of
Saturday as at first reported. She
is getting along nicely. Her many
friends will be glad to hear this.

W. J. Young of Vandalia was a
Mexico visitor Tuesday.
Ledger Want Ads Pay-Try One.

LEDGER APPEAL RECEIVES MOST GENEROUS RESPONSE

"I would like to outfit one child
for the winter," was the message
which a traveling man stopping at
one of the local hotels, telephoned
Mrs. F. C. Stoltz, who is in charge of
the Social Service appeal for old
clothes for the poor, after reading
the story in the Ledger concerning
the number of deserving poor in Mex-
ico this winter. This particular man
will be in Mexico for only a few days
but with the help of one of the mem-
bers of the social service board will
select clothing for a little girl who is
in great need of warm garments.

Mrs. Stoltz says that soon after the
Ledger carrying the story appealing
to the people of Mexico to be Santa
Claus to the poor, was off the press,
she began to receive telephone calls

from persons who wished to give.
From that time until late Thursday
night and beginning again early Fri-
day morning the calls continued.

People calling and saying they had
seen the appeal in the Ledger. Friday
afternoon Mrs. Stoltz with several
assistants started gathering up the
clothing. But all of the gifts are
not old clothing for several who had
nothing in that line to contribute have
given money to buy new garments.

"Everyone is really kind at heart!"
is the conclusion of Mrs. Stoltz who
declares that we all like to be Santa
Claus and when the matter is brought
before the people as was done in the
Ledger Thursday, the response is
always good.

The amazing development that has
come in co-operative marketing of
crops by the farmers themselves was
illustrated by the fact that at the
conferences were represented organi-
zations already functioning, not
merely on paper that do an annual
business of more than a billion dol-
lars a year and include 390,000 fam-
ers of various kinds. Where a few
years ago the citrus fruit industry
of California was the outstanding
example of co-operative effort in
marketing crops, it was far over-
shadowed in the conference by other
commodities.

The Mexico Kiwanis club is send-
ing out 70 Christmas cards to the
Mexico children who are drinking a
bottle of milk each day in school.
These cards are signed "Santa Claus"
and inform the youngsters they are
assured of a bottle of milk a day un-
til school closes.

As a help to financing this plan,
which will require about \$250, the
club expects to have about 15 Santa
Claus Christmas morning visit the
homes in Mexico and wish the kid-
dies a "Merry Christmas." In those
homes where they think it can be
afforded they will ask that a small
financial donation be made toward
the fund.

Robert A. McPheeters of Fulton
was in Mexico Saturday.

Miss Mary Worrell of Columbia will
come to Mexico Wednesday for the
holidays.

Basil W. Verdier of Farber and
Jerry Young of Moline have been
chosen members of the northeast
Missouri basketball team of the Chil-
licothe Business College at Chillico-
the. They played their initial game
on this team this week against Okla
homa.

Clyde W. Smith, who played cen-
ter on this year's football squad at
Missouri University has been elected
captain of the team for next season.
Smith is a sophomore in the College of
Arts and Science and his home is in
Sapulpa, Okla.

The firm of Crump and Humphrey
millers and dealers in grain and feeds
in Centuria have made an assignment
of their business to R. P. Price as as-
signee and have practically gone out
of business.

The cause for the assignment was
that the firm was not making any
profit on account of the high freight
rates and general depression.

Mrs. Mary E. Burney has gone to
Omaha, Neb., for an extended visit
with her sister-in-law, Mrs. B. F.
Barney.

John Bunch of Martinsburg came
to Mexico Monday.

J. C. Ringo, county treasurer, is
one of the officers, whose term holds
over. Mr. Ringo has made a most
efficient officer and his many friends
will be glad to see him still in the
courthouse.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Johnson spent
Sunday in Laddonia with Mr. and
Mrs. Dee Johnson.

Mrs. Edward James of Holden, Mo.,
chairman of the women's Democratic
committee of Johnson County, who
has been endorsed by the party orga-
nization of her county and by many
prominent men and women for chap-
lain of the house of representatives.

Her husband, Edward James, has
been a Baptist minister for many
years, and Mrs. James assists him
in the pulpit. She recently closed
a revival meeting in Cooper County,
her husband remaining at Holden
where he is mayor.

There will be open house at Aud-
rain Hospital on Christmas Day be-
tween the hours of 11 a. m. and 8 p.
m. Miss Cordelia Ranz, recently el-
ected superintendent, wishes to meet
all persons, who are interested in the
hospital, on that day.

Miss Elizabeth Harper, who is
teaching in Holt will arrive in Mex-
ico Friday evening for the holidays.

Miss Helen Heizer and Miss Bar-
bara Reavis, who are attending the
University of Missouri at Columbia,
will arrive in Mexico Tuesday to
spend the holidays with relatives.

United States Senator Howard
Sutherland of West Virginia formerly
of Fulton will be the honor guest at
the annual Kingdom of Callaway ban-
quet which will be held January 23.
He will be the chief speaker of the
evening. Senator Sutherland was
graduated from Westminster Col-
lege in 1889 and for some years ed-
ited the Fulton Globe, one of the first
newspapers of that city.

An electric pen has been invented
by a native of India that carbonizes
paper over which it passes.

FARMERS WILL HELP SELVES THE PLAN

Washington, Dec. 19.—A signifi-
cant move in American agriculture
was made when, after a three days
session, representatives of the 225
farmers' co-operative marketing as-
sociations of the country joined to-
gether in a national association for
mutual help and exchanges of infor-
mation. The purposes of the national
organization are economic rather
than political, as has been the case
with many of the farm movements
of late.

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crops by the farmers themselves was
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of California was the outstanding
example of co-operative effort in
marketing crops, it was far over-
shadowed in the conference by other
commodities.

Mrs. W. H. Hollingsworth who has
been visiting in Kansas has returned.
Her mother Mrs. L. A. White accom-
panied her home.

Mrs. Henry Shrader called on Mrs.
Hollis Davidson and Mrs. Ed. Aydell
Friday afternoon.

We are very glad to report that
Mrs. Andrew T. Cuthorn was able to
return home from the hospital Fri-
day.

Mrs. Jake Baehr visited Mrs. Hol-
lingsworth and her mother Mrs. L.
A. White Friday afternoon.

Robert Anderson has been working
in Mexico.

Lawrence Wilmshurst shipped his
sheep to Chicago last week.

Miss Hilda Anderson who attends
high school in Mexico spent the week-
end at home.

Miss Coral Hollingsworth who
teaches school near Centuria, spent
the week-end at home.

Fred Hollingsworth topped the
market in St. Louis with a load of
Hampshire hogs.

The first snow of the season fell
Saturday evening.

L. Vera Hollingsworth returned
home Saturday to spend the holidays.
She has been attending high school
in Bloomington, Ill., and will return
there January 2.

Frank Wales and Roy Worley spent
Sunday evening with Jake Baehr.

There will be a Christmas tree and
program at Little Methodist church
Monday night, December 25. Every-
body Welcome.